## REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on September 9, 2009.

Claims 1 and 8 are amended; claims 15-20 were previously canceled, without prejudice to or disclaimer by the Applicant: as a result, claims 1-14 are now pending in this application.

Example support for the amendments may be found throughout the original filed specification. By way of example only, the learned Examiner's attention is directed to the original filed specification paragraphs 32, 34, 44, and 46.

## The Rejection of Claims Under § 112

Claims 1-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Applicant believes that the above noted amendments obviate the present rejection.

Specifically, the language as amended in the independent claims now conforms to what is recited in the specification. As a result, the § 112 rejection is moot.

Applicant incorporates by reference previous remarks regarding any art of record. However, Applicant respectfully asserts that having resolved the § 112 issues with the above amendments, this application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests an indication of the same from the learned Examiner.

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## CONCLUSION

Respectfully submitted,

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-4370.

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